

SENATE BILL 1036

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4,
Chapter 3; Title 38 and Title 71, Chapter 1, relative
to human trafficking task force.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4, Chapter 3, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

4-3-3001. The governor shall establish a human trafficking task force to develop and implement a state plan for the prevention of human trafficking.

4-3-3002. The human trafficking task force shall meet at least bi-annually and is authorized to address all aspects of human trafficking, including, but not limited to, sex trafficking and labor trafficking of both United States citizens and foreign nationals.

4-3-3003.

(a) The governor shall appoint the following to the human trafficking task force:

- (1) A human trafficking task force chairperson;
- (2) One (1) representative from each of the following:
 - (A) Tennessee bureau of investigation;
 - (B) Office of the attorney general and reporter;
 - (C) Department of labor and workforce development;
 - (D) Tennessee Association of Chiefs of Police;
 - (E) Tennessee Sheriffs' Association;
 - (F) Department of safety;
 - (G) District attorneys general conference;
 - (H) District public defenders conference;

(I) Department of health;

(J) Department of children's services; and

(K) Department of human services; and

(3) At least one (1) representative from each of the following entities, associations, or categories:

(A) Non-governmental organization specializing in human trafficking;

(B) Member of a community or group disproportionately affected by human trafficking;

(C) Agency or group specializing in child services and runaway services;

(D) Academic researcher specializing in human trafficking; and

(E) Survivor or victim of human trafficking.

(b) The governor may invite representatives of the following to be members of the human trafficking task force:

(1) United States attorney's offices; and

(2) Federal law enforcement agencies, including, but not limited to the federal bureau of investigation and United States immigration and customs enforcement.

4-3-3004. The human trafficking task force, directly or through one or more of its constituent agencies, shall:

(1) Develop the state plan for the prevention of human trafficking;

(2) Coordinate the collection and sharing of human trafficking data regarding victims, while ensuring their privacy, among government agencies;

(3) Coordinate the sharing of information regarding detection of criminal groups involved in human trafficking among government agencies;

(4) Consider establishing policies regarding time limits for the issuance of law enforcement agency endorsements described in 8 CFR 214.11(f)(1);

(5) Establish policies to improve cooperation between state government agencies and non-governmental organizations and other advocacy groups to prevent human trafficking and provide assistance to victims;

(6) Review the effectiveness of existing services and facilities regarding victims of human trafficking;

(7) Make recommendations regarding a system to coordinate services for victims of human trafficking, including, but not limited to the following services:

(A) Health services, including mental health;

(B) Housing;

(C) Education and job training;

(D) English as a second language classes;

(E) Language interpretation services;

(F) Legal services; and

(G) Victim compensation; and

(8) Evaluate approaches used by other state and local governments to increase public awareness for human trafficking and its victims.

4-3-3005. The human trafficking task force shall submit an annual report to the governor, speaker of the house of representatives and speaker of the senate, by December 31 of each year. Such report shall include detailed information on the findings and recommendations of the human trafficking task force.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect January 1, 2014, the public welfare requiring it.